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Dr. Herman D. Marggraff, Jr. 386 Straits Turnpike Watertown, Connecticut 06795-3124

Dear Dr. Marggraff:

This is in reply to your letter to Acting Chairman James Quello regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235, \$7 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice proposes comprehensive changes to the Commission's Rules governing the private land mobile radio services operating in the frequency bands below 512 MHz.

You are specifically concerned about the impact of these changes on radio control (R/C) hobby users. Enclosed is a discussion paper concerning our proposals for the 72-76 MHz band. Your point about the proposed frequency tolerance is correct. The frequency tolerance for the proposed new 5 kHz low power channels should be 1.5 parts per million. This is the same as the frequency tolerance used in the new 220-222 MHz narrowband allocation. With this revised frequency tolerance, we expect there would be no adverse impact on R/C operations because of any proposal contained in the Notice.

We are, of course, sensitive to the concerns of both users of private land mobile radio spectrum and R/C hobbyists. We will, therefore, take your concerns into account when we develop final rules in this proceeding. As indicated in the Notice, we remain convinced that without significant regulatory change in radio operations in the bands below 512 MHz, the quality of communications in the private land mobile radio services will continue to deteriorate to the point of endangering public safety and the national economy.

We want to thank you for your interest. Your letter will be included in the record of the proceeding. We expect final rules to be issued in 1994.

Sincerely,

Edward R. Jacobs

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Deputy Chief, Land Mobile and

Microwave Division

Private Radio Bureau

Enclosure

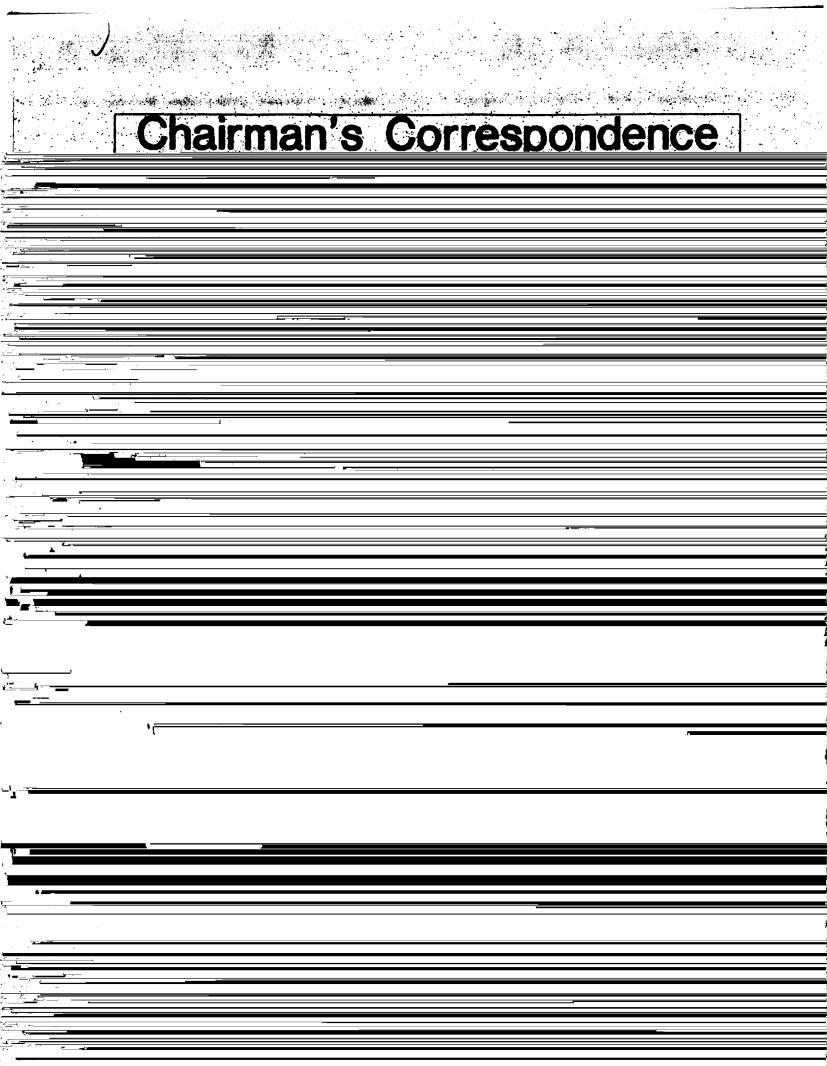
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